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Respectfully submitted,

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The remarks presented herein are offered in response to the office action mailed December 27, 2005 (Office Action).

The Claims as currently pending begin on page 2 of this submission.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this submission.

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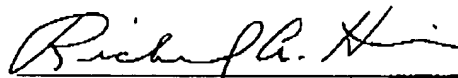
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